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REMARKS

Status of Claims

Claims 1-4, 7-14 are currently pending in this application.

Claims 5-6 have been canceled.

Claims 9-14 have been added.

In response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2004, with respect to the above-identified application, Applicants elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-4 and 7-8, classified in class 73, subclass 24.06.

Applicants provide herewith a preliminary amendment canceling the non-elected claims 5 and 6 and adding new claims 9-14 further defining the subject matter of elected Group I.

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CONCLUSION

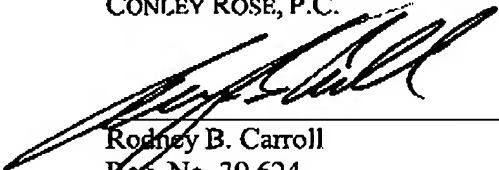
Applicants respectfully look forward to the Examiner's substantive action on these claims. If the Examiner believes it would assist in expediting the application, Applicants welcome a telephone conference with the Examiner to improve understanding of and resolve any questions or issues of the Examiner.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee connected with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-1515, Conley Rose, P.C.

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